



**Qualicum School District  
Education Committee of the Whole Report  
Tuesday, September 9, 2025  
Via Video Conferencing  
11:30 a.m.**

**Facilitator: Trustee Elaine Young**

**Mandate:**

*To discuss and make recommendations to the Board on aspects of teaching, learning and educational equity. We will strive to have all students receive whatever they need to develop to their full academic and social potential and to thrive every day.*

We would like to give thanks and acknowledge that the lands on which we work and learn are on the shared traditional territory of the Qualicum and Snaw-Naw-As (Nanoose) First Nations People

**Please note:** This meeting was recorded and the approximate times of the various agenda topics have been noted to assist people in finding topics of interest.

**A. PRESENTATIONS (15 Minutes Each)**

**I. SCHOOL/STUDENTS**

- i. Arrowview Elementary - Shoots with Roots | Milner Gardens**  
*Teacher Julie Whynacht (Time on recording 1 hour and 40 minutes)*  
Fabulous video of the class at Milner – Slugs, worms, kids, and compost.  
After the video, a presentation from educator and students.

**II. PROGRAM(S)**

- i. Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL)**  
*Superintendent Jory (Time on recording 10 Minutes)*  
A full presentation of the FESL report that is required by the Provincial Government. This 35-page document provides the statistical analysis and narrative explaining our results. It is a very good introduction to where Qualicum School District performs relative to the provincial results. It is only one measure that is used in the district.

**B. EDUCATION UPDATES**

- i. Director of Instruction/Associate Superintendent**  
*Director of Instruction Terpstra (Time on Recording 30 Minutes)*
- **AI Guidelines:** Presented with an explanation of the AI working group and progress up to now.
  - **Updates to the Assessment and Student Learning Document:** This relates to the complexities of the reporting cycle.
  - **Learning Rounds:** A new initiative where teachers in similar levels at two different schools will discuss learning in their classrooms. A schedule has been presented and will be verified in the next few days.

*Associate Superintendent Wilson (Time of recording 45 minutes)*

- **Kindergarten Update:** Students are getting settled in.
- **Understanding Combined Classes:** A summary of the some of the rationale for class placements in Qualicum School District schools.

- **PreVenture Program:** A program that provides better access to tools for students ages 12-18 to manage stress, build resilience, and prevent early substance use and mental health challenges.
- **New Class at Arrowview Elementary:** This addition will ease enrolment pressure from surrounding schools as well.
- **State of the Child and Youth Report:** Qualicum School District is a member of the Child and Youth Wellness Action Group, which took part in the State of the Child and Youth Report. Once the report is released, it will be presented at a future Education Committee Meeting.
- **Literacy Group and Plan:** The Province is focusing on early literacy. Further reports will come as work continues.

**C. BUSINESS ARISING/INFORMATION** *(Time of recording 50 Minutes)*

- **Meeting Time:** The time of day is still being determined which will best allow for student participation. Trustee Young and Director of Instruction Terpstra will follow up and announce.
- **Schedule:** An alternate and more flexible schedule of topics was presented and will be piloted and continually assessed.

**D. ITEM(S) TO RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL TO BOARD MEETING**

- Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL Report)

**E. UPCOMING TOPICS**

- State of the Child and Youth Report
- Updates on Enrollment and Literacy Project

**F. NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 time TBD via video-conferencing

**G. ADJOURNMENT**